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Churches and Students War on Militarism

Council Representing 22,000,000 Adherents Hits Military Training in Schools

Washington.—Compulsory military training in schools and colleges is foreign to the ideals of the American educational system, declares the Federal Council of Churches. Church members throughout the country have been asked to study the question of "Patriotism" in education.

The action of the Federal Council of Churches, representing affiliated bodies with a membership of 22,000,000, is indicative of the fight which has waged the country over against making the art of mass murder to seem heroic. The Northern Baptist convention recently went in record against the system. Various city and state labor bodies have passed resolutions against it. So great has the sentiment against this militaristic practice become that compulsory training has been abolished in several high schools and colleges. Unsuccessful efforts to dislodge the military parades have been made in other schools.

The latest effort in this direction is at the Oklahoma Agricultural & Mechanical college, a state-supported institution at Stillwater, Oklahoma. There the Farmers' union, W. M. Barr, a farmer candidate for governor, and a newspaper strongly supported by the Mine Workers of America, have joined with the church organizations of Oklahoma to banish the officers from Stillwater.

At the University of Missouri, the students voted overwhelmingly to abolish the drill, but nothing has yet been done by the administrative offices. At the City College of New York, several students were expelled for advocating the abolishing of "Patriotism." Even in the faraway University of Hawaii, signs of rebellion are heard. The University of Wisconsin was the pioneer in abolishing the vicious practice which grew up after the war.

The weapons used in the colleges against military drill include ridicule, at the digging up of war propaganda which declared that Germany became a militaristic nation because of the elaborate system of military training in her schools. As this argument was put by the United States government when it wanted to secure enlistments, sell liberty bonds, and create war sentiment, the militarists of America are made furious for they can not very well answer it.

Labor is becoming interested as regards the R. O. T. C. activities reaching the outside. The cadets are taught to believe that the "best people" of the country may have to take up arms some day against the labor leaders and similar scum of the earth as they are called.

15,000,000 Germans Vote To Sieze Royal Property

Germany.—The greatest referendum in the history of the country is a referendum on a Socialist proposal for the socialization of 300,000 acres of land and other properties held by the deposed royal masters of Germany. Received so far, a favorable total of 15,000,000 votes in the election Sunday indicate that there is no doubt that German people are overwhelmingly for the socialization of these properties.

For three causes the 19,500,000 necessary under the German constitution to carry such a referendum would in all probability have received. The first was the force of conservatism employed by the great lords or Junkers in the country.

Over 90 per cent of the voters in the industrial centers voted for extension while only 37 per cent did so in the rural sections so that in some of the Brandenburg states, for instance, the pressure of the big landowners was so great that there were villages where not a single vote was cast. In others the landowners stood on their polling places to prevent

the reason why the referendum did not get the vote required was pressure brought to bear on Catholic workers by the Catholic clergy. The Catholic went so far in its efforts to stop the will of the German people that the encyclical of Pope Pius XI was invoked; cardinals and priests forbade voting for the government compromise measure. The Socialists held the whip hand

The Broadcaster

The declaration of independence speaks of "inalienable rights," but the profit system has alienated them from the worker.

If you would only learn you might have all you earn.

Perhaps one reason the farmer gets no relief in that the plutes want the money for their army and navy.

Doubtless you are a valiant fighter, but you are dumb. You have fought for the other fellow, not for yourself.

This is not contempt of court, but many courts are surely making them seem contemptible.

The employers win through their army of the unemployed.

There has never been a war that was not a class war.

Most of those who stand with the present system also fall with it.

If you object to being skinned you are unpatriotic and may be shot.

The worker sweats, and the shirker gets.

The profiteers want freedom to rob the producers without interference—and get it.

Socialism proposed that you use your credit for the purchase of American industries, for the people. Plutocracy has used your cash and credit to buy them for the few.

If the right to get drunk can be made the issue it will relieve plutocracy of great anxiety. It was afraid it would be found out.

If there is a reactionary measure that has not been advocated by this administration, it must be because it hasn't had time to get to it.

Now since the radio has killed the soap box, it is to be denied the workers. The worker has no voice now. He can't even whistle.

The midnight show of naked women is making money in all the big cities. The profit system is so moral, you know.

It is the "progressive" Capper who fathers the measure for turning the republic into a dictatorship whenever the plutes shall conclude an "emergency" exists.

The voice of the worker has been ruled out of the air. Only the plutes and their friends may broadcast.

Socialism is reviving and gaining. Only the plute press is careful to conceal the fact.

Wisconsin Socialists Hold Best Convention in 8 Years

156 Delegates from All Over State Attend—Splendid Ticket Nominated—Every County to Be Organized in Whirlwind Campaign



LEO KRZYCKL

convention, Brisbane Hall, Milwaukee, June 13 and 14.

In the number attending as delegates, in the wide state representation, in enthusiasm, harmony, determination, and confidence, and in the ambitious character of the work outlined, it was the greatest, the most remarkable state convention of the Socialist Party held in Wisconsin since 1918.

The two-day session was remarkable for its harmony and industry and for the absence of blatant demagogery and personal wire-pulling. The speeches made were all sincere, earnest efforts befitting a party fresh from the people. That of Mayor Hoan,

Saturday afternoon, was a powerful summing up of the bankruptcy and the utter dishonesty of capitalism in both state and nation and the unusual record of the party, as the people's means of salvation. A ringing speech by Leo Krzyckl during the closing hours of the convention was also notable. The choosing of the candidates was carried through with earnestness and practicality brought the gathering to a close.

The Ticket

The following strong ticket was selected:

For United States Senator—Leo Krzyckl, Milwaukee.

For Governor—Herman O. Kent, Milwaukee.

For Lieutenant Governor—Peter Gilles, Arkansaw, Wis.

For Secretary of State—George Eaglehill, Green Bay.

For State Treasurer—Mrs. Ada C. Burrow, Horicon.

For Attorney General—Benjamin W. Reynolds, Milwaukee.

The Socialist candidate for the United States Senate is an outstanding labor leader. Leo Krzyckl has been for a number of years a vice-president and general organizer of the International Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union of America, in which capacity he has been afforded a close contact with the working class and its problems. He was born in Milwaukee. As a Socialist undersheriff in 1915 he met a "law and order" emergency during a strike in a way that made history. He persuaded the sheriff to depose 75 strikers instead of gunmen, to preserve order. This plan proved completely successful. From 1912 to 1916 he served as a Socialist alderman in Milwaukee.

Herman O. Kent, Socialist candidate for governor of Wisconsin, is one of the most active and prominent leaders in the Socialist and trade union movements in Wisconsin. He served two terms in the state Assembly. From 1918 he was elected alderman from the 9th Ward, Milwaukee, and has served in that capacity ever since. He has been a member of the Typographical Union for 20 years, has represented his union as a delegate to the Milwaukee Federated Trades Council and as delegate to the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor.

Farmer-Labor Unity
An interesting fact about Peter Gilles, Socialist candidate for lieutenant governor, is that he is a member of the Typographical Union for 20 years, has represented his union as a delegate to the Milwaukee Federated Trades Council and as delegate to the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor.

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Activities of Appeal Army Nearly Double in One Week



Captain Debs of the Appeal Army who leads the new drive for 100,000 circulation.

Wow! The Appeal Army again doubled its weekly activities! The Appeal Staff is dancing on thin air. If it had a voice that could carry two consecutive notes, it would arise and sing a new cradle song of liberty.

To be more exactly truthful, the Army came within \$718 of doubling the receipts of its splendid comeback the week before.

It did this in spite of the fact that subscription card orders fell off \$712. Now, brace yourselves for the news: Bundle orders more than doubled and subs sent in by the Army were two and a half times greater!

This is the fourth week since the Appeal Army started to rally for its Second Grand assault on the trenches of American capitalism in response to the call of Captain Debs and the Appeal. During that period orders for subscription cards are more than three times larger than what they were before, bundle orders are more than four times as large; Appeal Army subs more than three times greater. Total weekly cash receipts are more than three and a half times bigger than they were four weeks ago.

The biggest thing about the week's increase was the nature of it. Lots more of the old January scouts back on the firing line. Responses from all over the United States. New scouts and comrades—lots of them. Several old Appeal to Reason Armyites bobbing up and joining the procession. The old stand-bys hammering away harder than ever. A flood of new pledges—a meeting of the \$200 challenge of Captain Debs—a new spirit of hope and determination breathed in every letter sent in.

There is no doubt about it, the Army is girding its loins for the 100,000 drive initiated by Debs. Let every interested Socialist who reads the Appeal take heart and hope from this fine example and join the procession. We must have a bigger Appeal Army. You comrades who have never yet sent a sub to the Appeal, get in. The most important, the most inspiring, the most satisfying job in the history of this country has been started. WE SIMPLY ARE GOING TO KEEP ON GAINING AND INCREASING UNTIL WE GET THAT 100,000.

You have seen on this page the answer of one of the hardest-working and most faithful privates in the Appeal Army—Private Anton Zornik to Captain Debs' magnificent gift.

Private Zornik has pledged himself in response to Captain Debs' \$200 cash gift to give as a minimum \$520 IN SERVICE IN A YEAR.

Does Private Zornik speak for the Appeal Army?

Every member of the Appeal Army cannot give \$520 a year in service. BUT THERE IS NOT A SINGLE MEMBER OF THE ARMY, NOT ONE SOCIALIST READER OF THE APPEAL, WHO CANNOT DO SOME THING FOR THE APPEAL AND THE CAUSE EVERY MONTH. It is possible after these splendid gifts by the Captain of the Army and this private, that any member of the Army or any interested reader of the Appeal will, if not at least SOLICIT ONE SUBSCRIBER A MONTH, OR PAY FOR ONE SUBSCRIBER EACH MONTH?

DO YOU CARE TO TAKE A PLEDGE AND LIVE UP TO IT? If you do, the Appeal Staff firmly believes that your example at this moment will be wonderfully and gloriously contagious. You will start something that will cause you to live the day you made such a good and such an inspiring resolution. Try it, comrades. Send your pledge to the Appeal next week. A few pledges will start that avalanche that will sweep us soon over the 100,000 mark set by Debs as the next goal.

Listen to these comrades:

"I have been receiving two Appeals for some time. I could never receive too many. But instead of paying for two I will pay for one and pay in addition \$2 each month for the rest of the year for the Appeal Fund. After reading Debs' appeal to the Army I will do my best to secure one or more subs this week."—Albert Gasner, Sharpen, Pa., as he sends in his renewal and \$2.

"Sunday at dinner I read the American Appeal. The old spirit came over me and after dinner I went out and got a sub. Monday after dinner I got one again. In the evening I got another one. On Tuesday I got 5. I will try to get more."—H. J. Herbert, Peru, Ind., as he sends 8 subs.

"Is it possible that the workers are going to fall to support their own paper? Rouse ye slaves! I am 70 years young and I shall stand by the Appeal till I grow old."—W. J. Wright, Donora, Pa., as he sends in a sub and a gift of \$10.

"Am only sorry I can't fill this entire blank at this time, but will keep right on after them. We will win in time."—L. S. Walker, Anderson, Ind., sends in 4 subs.

"I regret I cannot send you a monthly sum, but with us it is a case of 'chicken' one week and feathers the next. I cannot subject the Appeal to such a diet."—John T. McRey, Portland, Me., sends in \$50 gift.

"I find to my immense gratification a glorious spirit of optimism prevalent among the Socialists of my acquaintance. To my mind this augurs well for the future."—J. A. Hennesey, Oakland, Calif. Five yearlies.

"I am doing all I can for the Appeal. You can expect more subs later."—D. E. Williamson, Clarendon, Ind. Three yearlies. And right on top of this he sends in another list of 5 yearlies during the week and remarks "Will keep right on as long as I can do any good for the cause."

"Just a few more to help you out. All you have to do is to ask 'em," repeats W. J. Martin, Portland, Ore., as he drops 7 yearlies into our laps.

When the Appeal Staff sees old scouts with such top-notch records as that of Charles T. Stoney of Salt Lake City, in the harness again there is general rejoicing. Comrade Stoney begins the attack in the 100,000 drive with 3 yearlies.

Comrade Zornik wasn't satisfied with one batch of prisoners and a \$520 pledge in one week. He comes again with a couple of scalps, and one of them is an old-time Appeal to Reason scout in a town that is Socialist. "Write him a letter," he advises, "he may do some good in that town."

Unko Ten Over of Bisbee, Ariz., drops an order for a sub and bundle of 50 and says: "Will be at the 21st of this month have been a Socialist 50 years and have spent thousands of dollars for the cause."

Comrade H. Latzer, New York City, sends this cheering message to the Appeal and the Army as he makes a payment on the Fund: "At last we see the torch of light in the American Appeal and a great weapon that will help to conquer the forces of darkness and attain the Supreme Cause. I thank all you comrades for the great work you are doing. Long live the American Appeal and those who work for the American Appeal."

"I am on the outer edge of the industrial plane, but will do the best I can and send you subs when I can."—J. B. Fifer, Galesburg, Ill. Sub and \$2 for Fund.

"Send me some subscription lists. Will have a few more subs to send you very soon."—P. J. Clair, Cleveland, Ohio.

These old Appeal to Reason scouts keep coming back and swelling the ranks of the new Appeal. "I was a subscriber for the Appeal to Reason from the time Wayland started it until Haldeman Julius turned it into an advertising sheet"—O. J. Shall, Hamilton, Mont., sub and bundle.

The Appeal is spreading the spirit of Socialist organization all over the United States. "I hope we can get on the map again in this old burg on top of the Allegheny mountains. We are trying to start a branch here"—S. A. Nelson, Gallitzin, Pa. sub.

Don't forget that the woods are full of Socialists who have never heard about the Appeal. It's your job to find them and get them on. "Sorry I am such back number. I had not seen the first number of the Appeal until I received the small bundle you sent me a few days ago and which I surely appreciated and distributed."—Pearl Wright, Bend, Ore., as she subscribes.

"My only opportunity to get subs is when I pick them up from my customers when they visit my place of business."—A. C. Grind, Sharpsburg, Pa., as he sends in a sub.

Some of the Appeal Army scouts are becoming interested in the farmers. "I am going to try to get out among the farmers and see if I can get some more subs. One of these subs I am sending is a live Socialist and I think we can get him started again."—J. P. Cavanaugh, Whitefish, Mont. Two subs. Comrade Cavanaugh is one of the top-notchers who is in the harness again for the big 100,000 drive.

"Will be able later to send in some subs. I suggest that the Appeal devote a column or two to rural conditions. There are thousands of disatisfied farmers who read nothing but the capitalists reports."—R. D. Morrison, Milan, Mo., as he subscribes.

The Appeal agrees with this suggestion and will undoubtedly follow it out in the not distant future. The first job, however, is to get the foundation of the revived movement laid—GET THE SOCIALISTS BEHIND THE APPEAL AND PARTY.

Here is another splendid suggestion—"Put into the Appeal more of the fundamentals of Socialism. I doubt if the general mind can be fixed to 'stand without bitching' unless it is grounded in the economic interpretation of history, the class struggle and an understanding of surplus value. Put through the paper here and there short jabs of the real stuff—real Marxist stuff"—Channing Sweet, Denver, Colo., who sends in his regular monthly contribution—an order for \$10 worth of subscription cards.

We would like to hear from the Army how far the Appeal ought to go in the direction suggested by Comrade Sweet. We have been addressing significant news and Socialist developments because we felt that first of all that these things make a live and interesting paper and have great propaganda power. The Appeal is planning now to do more of the things suggested by Comrade Sweet.

Here is a good suggestion as to how a local might help the Appeal—"When sending letters to backsliders and non-Socialists, I have been asking them to contribute some amount a year in cases where they do not join the local. From now on I will ask these to subscribe for the American Appeal or the Labor World, San Francisco. After all, the best thing that can be done for the Appeal is to get the members of the local down to some system of getting subs."—J. Nelson Dole Secretary, Local Pasadena.

One of the big developments of the week was the flood of renewals. A large percentage of the Appeal readers are sticking it. It is a greatomen of future success. After taking the Appeal six months fully three-fourths renew for a whole year.

N. A. Mitchell, Homestead, Pa., renew and says: "I am very glad to read the American Appeal."

Mrs. M. W. Rutherford, Pensacola, Fla., renew: "I am always glad to pass along my paper." A good suggestion.

H. S. Winnicour, Milwaukee, renew: "Keep on giving us the news which the prostituted press represses. I usually pass around my copy."

Frank Hovender, Chicago, "My Appeal has run out. I want it renewed."

Stephen Zidow, New Castle, Pa., "The American Appeal is going to be a lifelong friend of mine," as he renew.

The scouts who used toweling pieces and brought them in bunches were Alfred Baker Lewis, Boston, 12 subs; Goldman, Philadelphia, 6; Walter Collins, Vulture, Cal.; John Broshar, Indianapolis, 3 subs and 3 sub cards; Henry Hirschbaum, Chagewater, Wyo., 4; H. J. Herberg, Peru, Ind., 7; Julius Polley, Long Cove, Me., 5; A. S. MacLean, Amherstburg, Mass., 2; F. B. Pettit, Logansport, Ind.; E. F. J. Marzoll, Harrisburg, Pa.; 3; W. J. Taylor, Philadelphia, 2; J. A. Schreiber, New Albany, Ind., 3; Edward P. Clark, Hartford, Conn., 2; L. L. Archam, Los Angeles, 3; J. A. MacDonald, Seattle, 2 subs and \$3 payment to Fund; Ed. Honry, Indianapolis, 2; B. Mandel, Pittsburgh, 3; Carry Eddy Shaffer, Beverly Hills, Cal.; Gibson W. Post, Chicago, 2; V. H. Spiller, San Diego, Cal., 2; A. J. Sergeant, Aurora, Mo., T. T. Marshall, Indianapolis, 2.

Scouts all over the United States brought in their weekly single prints—good habit, let it grow! W. E. Allons, Toledo; S. V. Kennison, Charleston, S. C.; J. R. Herberg, Moncton, N.B.; Julius Polley, Long Cove, Me. (this second batch in a week) O. N. Grossett, Seattle, sub and \$3 on Fund; Ernest Silipo, Milford, Mass.; William H. Evans, Rocky River, Ohio; Alice Stone Blackwell, subscriber for Catherine Breshkovsky, the so-called mother of the Russian Revolution. T. Heil, Camden, N. J.; Samuel Kantor, Brooklyn, N. Y.; A. D. Stevens, West Elizabeth, Pa.; L. P. Chresten, Morris Adler, Bradlock, Pa., 1 sub.

Total \$74.50 Lump Contributions, John T. Meloy, Portland, Me. \$50.00 J. W. Wright, Donora, Pa. 10.00 Miss Estelle Solowick, Chicago 3.00 P. K. Kramer, New York City 3.00 J. P. Miller, Ridgeville, Ill. 1.00 O. N. Grossett, Seattle 3.00 J. B. Fifer, Galesburg, Ill. 2.00 Dr. W. Van Ee, Clyde, Ohio 2.00 Bellandi, Chicago 1.00 Morris Adler, Bradlock, Pa. 1.00 Total \$83.00 Grand total for week \$157.50

Recapitulation.

First week \$1,053.50 Second week 129.50 Third week 157.50 Grand Total to Date \$1,340.50

Appeal Scout Responds to Gift of Debs

Anton Zornik, Herminie, Pa., who never misses a week in sending in subs, and who sometimes sends in three batches in one week, in a letter to the Appeal, responds to Debs' magnificent \$500 gift and sets a new pace for the army, as follows:

"I noticed in last week's Appeal that Comrade Debs donated \$500 to boost the Appeal."

"I congratulate Comrade Debs, and I heartily feel that it is our duty to fall in line with any amount that each comrade can afford."

"IF A COMRADE CANNOT DO THIS FINANCIALLY, HE CAN HELP BY GETTING SUBSCRIBERS."

"Comrade Debs, I want to remain a good private in your army."

"I HAVE DECIDED TO OBLIGATE MYSELF TEN COPIES EACH WEEK OF THE AMERICAN APPEAL FOR ONE YEAR. THAT SHOULD SERVE FOR FURTHER WORK ON MY PART TO BUILD UP THE PAPER AND GET SUBSCRIBERS FOR THIS TOWN AND COMMUNITY."

Fund Growth Bigger Than Last Week's

The American Appeal Promotion and Sustaining Fund received \$23 more last week than during the previous week, or a total during the week ending June 19 of \$157.50.

This encouraging movement so early in the Promotion and Sustaining Fund Drive will undoubtedly place the Appeal on safe grounds while it is attaining a self-supporting basis.

Comrades, let's take another bigger jump next week. The Fund must be considerably larger than at present. Let's get it completed and out of the way for the big 100,000 subscription drive which will make Funds unnecessary in the future.

Promotion Fund (For week ending June 19, 1926)

Monthly Payments.

R. Neppala, Ashland, O. \$ 8.00
Dr. Louis Sabloff, New York City 6.00
M. H. Spankly-Badcom, Fla. 7.00
Albert Gasner, Sharon, Pa. 14.00
N. A. Abramson, Bayonne, N. J. 5.00
K. Sissman, Evanston, Ill. 5.00
H. Latzer, New York City 2.00
Samuel Kantor, Brooklyn, N. Y. 5.00
Sarah Voločivik, New York City 3.50
E. H. Carron, Ridgefield Park, N. J. 7.00

Total \$74.50

Lump Contributions.

John T. Meloy, Portland, Me. \$50.00
J. W. Wright, Donora, Pa. 10.00
Miss Estelle Solowick, Chicago 3.00
P. K. Kramer, New York City 3.00
J. P. Miller, Ridgeville, Ill. 1.00
O. N. Grossett, Seattle 3.00
J. B. Fifer, Galesburg, Ill. 2.00
Dr. W. Van Ee, Clyde, Ohio 2.00
Bellandi, Chicago 1.00
Morris Adler, Bradlock, Pa. 1.00

Total \$83.00

Grand total for week \$157.50

Recapitulation.

First week \$1,053.50

Second week 129.50

Third week 157.50

Grand Total to Date \$1,340.50

Socialist Revival Spreads to New Sections of Country

Herman's Report. (May 4 to 31, inclusive)

Receipts.

Debs' Liberty Bonds, cash \$102.50

Dues 67.00

New Leader subs 9.00

American Appeal subscriptions 36.00

Debs' Liberty Bond pledges, unpaid 102.50

Total receipts \$17.00

Expenses.

Wages \$221.60

Transportation 15.44

Miscellaneous 2.88

Total \$240.01

Balance of receipts over expenses \$76.99

Locals organized 2

Meetings held 4

New members 41

Pennsylvania

Comrades of Cook county and hold a county Convention for the purpose of making nominations, on Sunday, July 11, at 2:00 p.m. in the Douglas Park Auditorium, Kedzie & Ogden streets, Chicago. The Committee urges Party members and others who claim to be interested in the Socialist movement to put a mark on their calendar for July 11th, and see that it is OK

Debs Pays Tribute To Newly Married Former Secretary

Readers of American Appeal were no doubt greatly interested in the marriage announced in the Appeal last week of Comrade Bertha Hale White, "Our Bertha," to Judson King, well known and highly esteemed writer, author and man of affairs, and whatever differences there may be between the readers of this as to affairs in general, they will unite as one in extending to the bride and groom their hearty congratulations upon the happy event.

For almost twenty years Bertha Hale White, now Mrs. King, was one of the central figures in the National Office of the Socialist party at Chicago, and in complete charge thereof when she was chosen executive secretary to fill the unexpired term of Comrade Blanster whose sad and untimely death left that office vacant.

It fell to the lot of Comrade Bertha to hold this office and to be charged with its duties and responsibilities during the most critical and trying period in the party's history, due to the raggedness of the world war and the determination of the barbarian hordes of stay-at-home "patriots" and "heroes" to annihilate the party root and branch and to leave not a vestige of it to tell of its brutal villainy and shameless persecution.

It was during this long-drawn, agonizing period of travail, insecurity and daily menace that Bertha Hale White proved her indomitable courage, her unswerving loyalty, and her utter consecration to the party and to the cause it represented in a way to endear her to every party member and to keep her name forever a treasured memory to the movement. Day and night, at all hours, and in all seasons, when others slept or weakened or deserted, she stood at her post, meeting all comers and defending with all her strength, her health, her very life, the interests of the party and the art of the cause committed to her keeping.

The treasury had been bankrupted by malevolent design of the warlords, the treasury was empty, creditors swarmed about the office, banks threatened to bring suit on overdue notes, and in this situation Bertha Hale White served with all her heart and without ever a complaint until her health gave way and she was driven at last to resign her post to avoid complete collapse. A volume might be written and then not half the truth told about her heroic service and her noble consecration. But she could not even have these lines written so I forbear to say more, deeply as I feel the poverty of this appreciation of the noble human soul, the beloved comrade who laid all but her very life on the altar of the party, whom I shall hold while I live in most grateful and reverent remembrance.

That "Our Bertha" had the exceeding good fortune to win as her lifetime a man of the highest character and loftiest attributes will be a matter of rejoicing to all her host of friends, comrades, admirers and lovers throughout the country.

Mr. and Mrs. King are at home at Phillips Terrace, Washington, receiving the congratulations that are pouring in upon them with glad and grateful hearts and enjoying, as they so well deserve, the rare peace and serenity and the exquisite happiness of a beautiful honeymoon.

—Eugen V. Debs

Socialists Hold Big Convention

(Continued from page 1.)

development and forest fire fight-

—Removal from Wisconsin Rail-

road Commission of all power to con-

tract and regulate public utilities and

cooperatives.

—Expansion of state insurance de-

partment to include state insurance

against unemployment and sickness,

and tornado insurance.

—More liberal application of Work-

ers' Compensation law and old age

survivor act.

—Make state constitution amend-

by a single legislative session or

a vote of the people on any spe-

cific amendment.

—Establish right of villages, towns,

cities, counties, and the state to own

and operate farm marketing facilities

and other industries.

—Gradual repeal of all taxes on

real property and improvements.

Merging of two houses of state

legislature into one.

—Heavy penalties for the forma-

tion of private armies or vigilantes.

Development of St. Lawrence

waterway.

Maintenance of free speech,

free assembly; freedom

of conscience and religion and ac-

tivity.

Inshore Socialist Party stand-

for government control, manu-

facture and sale of light wines and

liquors.

Fruits of Achievement

Socialist movement of Wis-

consin is leading the way back to the

old influence and the spirit of

old enthusiasm that belong to

the old movement, because the

new movement during the dark

years following the war was able to

get a great daily paper—the Mil-

waukee Leader and an organization

large enough to keep in office a large

representation to demonstrate the

work of Socialism.

At that work, the plat-

form of any state in this

country in its accomplishments in progressive legislation can be measured in proportion to the strength of the Socialist party. The educational efforts put forth by the Socialists during the past 30 years have brought many improvements, even in places where no Socialists have been elected to office, but the greatest advances have been made where there have been numerous Socialist officials elected. Consequently Wisconsin, having the strongest Socialist movement and the largest number of Socialist elected officials, has the most legislation for the benefit of the producers of wealth in mill, mine and factory and on the farm.

"We are rightfully proud of the record made by the Socialist members of the state legislature. Practically all of the good legislation enacted in this state in recent years was either directly introduced or indirectly initiated by the Socialists."

Along the same lines, Mayor Hoan declared in his speech of welcome to the delegates:

"Show me any country or state where there is no Socialist movement and I will show you where lax labor laws exist. In Wisconsin, while the Socialists are not strong enough to have a majority in the legislature, it has been our strength that has car-



PETER GILLES.

ried on all battles for labor laws and for the real advancement of the working class of Wisconsin. Elsewhere there are state constabularies and free speech is curbed under the guise of anti-syndicalist laws. Our men in the legislature, backed by labor, have kept us free from such outrages. And we are the only state and Milwaukee is the only large city that has placed private detective agencies where they belong."

Following the convention, the new state campaign committee met and began the formulation of the biggest and hottest campaign of organization and education the Socialists have conducted in Wisconsin since the war.

An effort will be made by the state campaign committee to have Socialist county tickets in the field in every county in Wisconsin. This effort will be pursued up until July 25, by which time it is believed that every county will come under the line. On July 27 all nomination papers must be filed.

The Socialist Party of Wisconsin faces its greatest opportunity since the war. A vote is confidently expected that will electrify the Socialist movement of the entire country and stimulate the most backward sections into renewed activities.

State Organizer William Coleman of Wisconsin expressed this situation in an address on the opening day of the convention, when he said:

"The party is now confronted with the biggest opportunity for advancement and growth in its history."

"One of the leading reasons for this is that the so-called Progressives have betrayed the principles for which the late Robert La Follette was plighted, i.e., the public ownership of railroads, mines and trustified industries. In addition they have betrayed big pledges for the formation of an independent party separate and distinct from the two old political parties."

Mothers in Prison for Picketing

Mothers of little children, who sorely need their care; brave young women of impressionable years who stood on the picket line in the strike of the International Garment Workers of Chicago two years ago, will have to serve their terms to the last day, for the crime of being true to their organization and their class.

Every effort to obtain pardon for these 24 women by organized labor and industrial settlement workers has so far failed. Judge Sullivan, who sentenced them for alleged violation of his injunction against the strikers, brutally denounced these women strikers as "ruffians" and "Amazonas" when Jane Adams and others pleaded with him for leniency. Governor Lou Small, who has the greatest record of issuing pardons in the United States, took the matter of pardoning these mothers, wives and daughters "under advisement" when a delegation of prominent trade union officials and social settlement workers called on him.

In the meantime the sentences of these courageous women are beginning to expire. The first thirteen whose sentences ran ten days were released. Some of these mothers, however, are in jail for 30 days, while their little children anxiously await their return.

International Year Book

The International of Socialist Youth

has recently issued a new publication

reporting youth activities of all the affiliated organizations. The book is in the German language, but of the 200 pages about 70 or 80 are illustra-

tions of the work, in themselves very interesting for any Yipper. Only a limited supply has been ordered, so that we cannot fill all orders immediately, but suggest that those desiring copies send their names to the national offices for reservations. The price is not definitely fixed but is estimated at about \$1.00 per copy.

Socialism did win, if plutocracy had not forced the world war and given it control, the old capitalism would have collapsed ten years ago.

The Filling Station

LINCOLN PHIFER

"I see your corporation is boasting of employee ownership," remarked John Hicks, Joe's close friend, as he stopped to gas.

"Well, I congratulate you on your plutocratic possessions. If every employee had a mere thousand dollars worth of stock, they might collectively own a fifth of the enterprise, even though they couldn't vote their stock; so I take it they must average a great deal more than that."

"Yes, what of it?"

"Do you know," he asked, "I think there is more than the mere selling of stock to employees in this 'employee ownership' proposition?"

"No? What dark, sinister thing do you suspect?"

"That capitalists are beginning to resent bank control of industry and are trying to sidestep it. When bonds are issued to obtain money for expansion, the industries are pretty well tied up to bondholders, and bondholders ride them hard. If they can get the financing from their employees and customers, it gives them the whip hand. If they do not pay dividends, any kick made cannot land. They are bound to nothing."

"So you think that the capitalist suspects bank control of industry and is trying to sidestep? Well, it seems reasonable."

"There is a corollary, as the man who spoke before the Civic club the other night said. The war already on between the bank control of industry and the old capitalist control of the working man's opportunity. Why should the worker finance big business and still have nothing to say about its management? And why should bondholders ride industry?"

"Well, let them fight," was the final word of Hicks as he set his foot on the start.

Jolts and Jabs

Human plans are so inadquate—We build the earth anew each century.

After all, the money shark is a poor fish.

Much beauty is not even skin deep. One kick does more than five reasons.

Many think evil who are afraid to do it.

Don't feel hurt when only your body suffers.

Every man has a right to dream for himself.

The world is entirely too busy to remember.

Maybe the runt doesn't root enough to become a hog.

It is great to have friends, but little to use them.

So many in trying to save sunniness merely raise hell.

A silent tongue is greater protection than an empty gun.

Don't boast short skirts. Everybody likes to see them.

Moral support is less effective in politics than immoral support.

Habits are nearly always testing when called on to show off, so they do it the better.

Life is so much more interesting than death. When you think of the dead it is of when they were living.

The person who wants to do better is better than the one who doesn't care.

In struggling for an income, so many lose sight of the outcome until it arrives.

They are now saying that the people demand propaganda. And that is propaganda.

The Radio Bug—A Fable.

"I think I've got London," said the Radio Bug, exultingly.

"Now, ya ain't got nothin,'" contradicted the Tough Guy.

"Listen to this."

"Now, sound ain't enthrallin'."

"It says that the strikers were betrayed into the general strike and betrayed into calling it off."

"Aw, taunt nuthin'. Ye don't believe everything ye hear, do ye?"

"Some people are very particular about what they hear."

With the Workers Around the World

Roumania

Roumania now takes its place as one of the worst Fascist-ruled dictatorships in the world. In the elections, May 25, the workers were excluded from all representation in the government by a system of fraud and terrorism that has not been surpassed in the history of modern nations. The Avram government which had only five members in the parliament, but through the army possessed dictatorial powers, started out to use the

election in every way possible to get a majority in the new parliament. It made a rule to the effect that any party getting 40 per cent of the vote or more would get 70 per cent of the seats, while parties getting 2 per cent of the vote or less would get no seats in parliament whatever. By the systematic use of the military all over Roumania, by the most scandalous election regulations ever known in any country, they virtually disfranchised the people, so that the Avramen reactionaries which had only five members formerly, now have 260, while the so-called Liberal party which formerly had 260 members will get only 15 seats.

The workers are without representation in the new government.

They were literally disfranchised by the militarists. Despite the utmost efforts of the militarists, however, the Socialists got 40,000 votes counted and the communists 23,000. The fascism of the followers of Avramen is in a blind of the Spanish military dictatorship, of the Italian "law and order" fascism, and of a special Roumanian brand of murderous anti-Semitism. The workers should form a soviet republic which will have representatives in the central government at Moscow.

and government offices will be closed for three days in his honor. He was 36 years old.

Russia

Riga, Latvia.—After withholding action for four years the soviet of nationalities and central executive committee of the soviet government has passed a decree legalizing the setting aside of a portion of the Kherson government and I'krania as an autonomous Jewish soviet republic.

The exact boundaries of the new state have not yet been defined, but a large district has been promised on which the soviet government and American Joliet distribution committee plans to settle 25,000 Jewish families from the central Ukrainian republics.

The Moscow Invention hopes the passing

of the decree will induce American Jews to donate still more funds to the support of the colonization scheme. With the hope of emigrating to America killed by the Johnson bill, the Russian Jews are anxious to form a soviet republic which will have representatives in the central government at Moscow.

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